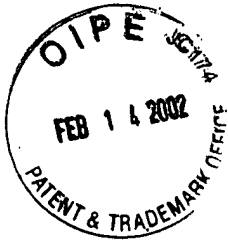


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UNDER 35 U.S.C. §121

In response to the Office Action dated December 3, 2001, issued in connection with the  
above-identified Application, please consider the following remarks:

REMARKS:

By this Office Action, the Examiner has required restriction to one of the following  
inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121: